Message Text

TO AMEMBASSY NIAMEY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE STATE 021323 FOR AMBASSADOR HECK THE FOLLOWING IS A REPEAT OF KAHTMANDU 0493 ACTION SECSTATE 28 JANUARY 1975. QUOTE: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE KATHMANDU 0493 FOR LORTON, NEA/INS E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: OCON, NP SUBJECT: CORONATION ARRANGEMENTS REF: KATHMANDU 0392 1. IN VIEW OF THE UNWILLINGNESS OF THE DEAN OF THE DIPCORPS TO TAKE UP IN THE CORPS THE MATTER OF TIRE FOR THE CORONATION, FRENCH AMBASSADOR TOUSSAINT CONVENED A MEETING OF A NUMBER OF RESIDENT MISSIONS OF COUNTRIES WHICH ARE NOT BOUND BY TRADI-TIONAL NATIONAL DRESS FOR AN INFORMAL DISCUSSION OF DRESS FOR THE VARIOUS CORONATION EVENTS. PRESENT WERE AMBASSADORS OR CHARGES AND THEIR WIVES FROM THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES: FRANCE, US, UK, ISRAEL, GERMANY, JAPAN, KOREA, THAILAND, EGYPT AND ITALY. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE PAGE 02 STATE 021323

2. FOLLOWING IS CONSENSUS WHICH EMERGED FOR THE EIGHT CORONA-

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EVENT NO. (RECEPTION AT ROYAL PALACE): BLACK TIE;

LONG EVENING DRESS.

EVENT NO. 2 (CULTURAL PROGRAM AT ROYAL ACADEMY:

SANE AS EVENT NO. 1.

EVENT NO. 3 (CORONATION ITSELF): MORNING COAT; LONG DRESS

WITH COAT FOR WARMTH, TIARA OR SMALL HAT.

EVENT NO. 4 (PROCESSION AND PROGRAM AT TUNDIKHEL): SAME AS EVENT NO. 3.

EVENT NO. 5 (DINNER AT ROAYAL PALACE): WHITE TIE; LONG EVENING DRESS, IARA AS APPROPRIATE.

EVENT NO. 6 (PRIME MINISTER'S LUNCH AT FOREIGN MINISTRY):

DARK BUSINESS SUIT; SHORT DRESS OR SUIT WITH HAT.

EVENT NO. 7 (OVENING OF DEVELOPMENT EXHIBITION): SAME AS EVENT NO. 6.

EVENT NO. 8 (RECEPTION AT ROYAL PALACE): SAME AS EVENT NO. 1.

3. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE ABOVE WILL BE FORWARDED TO CAPITALS BY THE PARTICIPANTS AS SUGGESTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING DRESS

BASED ON INFORMAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS NOTED ABOVE.

- 4. WE HOPE RESULTS OF EXERCISE INITIATED BY AMBASSADOR TOUSSAINT WILL BE OF SOME HELP TO DEPARTMENT IN PROVIDING GUIDANCE ON MATTER OF ATTIRE FOR CORONATION. (IF THE ABOVE SUGGESTIONS ARE IN THE BALLPARK, AND SINCE VARIATIONS MAY IN SOME CASES BE INDICATED AT LEAST AS A RESULT OF THE FINAL TIMING OF EVENTS AND THEIR PROXIMITY TO PRECEDING OR FOLLOWING EVENTS, THE SIMPLEST GUIDANCE TO MALE PARTIPANTS MAY BE TO TAKE BLACK TIE, WHITE TIE AND MORNING COAT AND THAT MORE PRECISE DRESS INDICATIONS WILL BE RECEIVED IN KATHMANDU.
- 5. DOUG HECK HAS ASKED US ABOUT DRESS FOR CORONATION. ASSUME YOU WILL PASS HIM APPROPRIATE ADVICE. CARGO

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